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H. Yamamoto

For:

SLIDING CONTACT SEAL
STRUCTURE IN SHAFT PORTION

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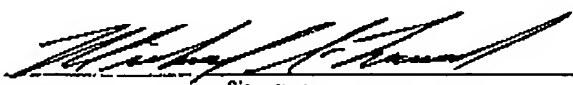
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Sir:

This Response is submitted with in response to the non-final Office Action mailed
January 19, 2006. Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of the patent application.

Applicant invites the Examiner to call Applicant's Representative to discuss any issues
with this application.

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this Response.